

<b>MINUTES TO MEETING</b>		
<b>MEETING DATE: 10/14/21</b>		
<b>ATTENDEES: Rebecca Turner, Barbara Kalish, Abigail Rogers-McKee</b>		
<b>DISTRIBUTION: Attendees, File, Bill Wood, Douglas Cooper</b>		
<b>LOCATION: Archive Room, Egremont Library, 1 Button Ball La</b>		
<b>Discussion</b>		<b>Action By/Date</b>
1.	<b>General</b>	
a.	8/4/21 minutes – accepted with revisions as noted in these minutes	
2.	<b>New Business</b>	
a.	Coffee, Tea and History	
	1. History of April Hill – presentation by Will Conklin	RT 11/1
	2. Prospect lake history in photos and stories	
	3. 60 Years of the Egremont Garden Club – presentation and scrap book	
b.	4. Monitor BoS and PB calendar, agenda and attend meetings	RT et al
c.	5. Membership: Stephan ? resigned from the EHC	
3.	<b>EHC Focus for 2021: Demo Delay</b>	
4.	<b>Village School</b>	
a.	1. South Egremont Village School: Potential school consolidation could result in moving the Pre-K program to the main campus. 2. BK to revise draft letter based on fact checking the plans being put forth by the BoE. EHC position	11/1/21
5.	Academy Building ADA upgrade Document Comments	
a.	BoS requested comments by 10/31 – no possible without seeing Mass Historical comments. MH allegedly signed off on documents without input from EHC. Follow-up by RT/EHC to provide comments on distributed documents.	RT
b.	EHC agreed that the design of the ramp appears historically insensitive to the site and building	
c.	Site plan, parking plan and landscape plan to be provided	
d.	EHC would like to see design development and evolution of current design. What were the parameters: ie septic field location, site boundaries, setback requirements	
6.	<b>Annual Report</b>	
a.	Next All Commission Meeting	RT 11/1/21
7.	<b>MACRIS Phase 5</b>	
a.	2020/21: 7 Button Ball to be added to Phase 4	
b.	2021/22: 20 properties to be added, contract signed LA, work commencing	RT 11/1/21
c.	RT to forward property list to Neil at Larson Assoc.	RT 9/9/21
d.	Schedule 11/21: Start work 6/30/22: Complete work	LA
8.	<b>Egremont Newsletter</b>	
a.	Future article ideas 1. Shun Toll road – early way round to avoid paying the too 2. Old Mill 3. Pinecrest Hill 4. Kenver 5. Col. Smiley	
9.	<b>Website maintenance</b> 1. RT will work with Caroline Alexander to update the website 2. EHC to provide a scope and budget based on an hourly rate for feedback from CA	RT 10/7
10.	<b>Town Hall Sign</b>	

a.	EHC will monitor the Town Hall Site Improvement Committee with the goal to see sign removal and site upgrades	
11.	<b>Membership</b>	
a	Post invite for new members via Neighborhood Net	AM
	<b>Archive collection/organization/layout</b>	1/22
a.	EHC to discuss revised goals, program and plans for the archives	On-going
b.	RT developed a plan of the archive room. Will add dimensions	RT 7/7/21
c.	Kurt Sunderland has contributed more letters to the archive – RT to present to the Commission for archiving and disposition	Presented
8.	<b>Demolition delay by-law</b>	5/2022
a.	<p>Draft Development Plan</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Goal – present the By Law at the next Annual Town Meeting: 5/2022</li> <li>Logistics <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><del>Write the 1<sup>st</sup> draft of the bylaw – RT to forward the last draft to the EHC members</del></li> <li>Agenda discussion and attend November PB meeting 11/21 meeting</li> <li>Present to the BoS: 11/2021</li> <li>Write the final draft</li> <li>Present to BoS: 12/2021</li> <li>Public Hearing – 1/2022</li> </ol> </li> <li><u>Rough Outline of steps</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EHC/PB coordination meeting 10/2021</li> <li>EHC/PB present to BoS 11/2021</li> <li><b>Public Hearing 1/2022</b></li> <li>EHC/PB develop final draft 2/2022</li> <li>EHC/PB present to BoS 3/2022</li> <li>EHC/PB Post the DD by law on the warrant 3/2022 (?)</li> <li>EHC/PB present at Public Meeting 5/2022</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	5/2022
b.	<p>Comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Penalties for non-compliance – DC to follow-up with town atty. Jeremy Pollard</li> </ol>	
9.	<b>Future Outreach Initiatives</b>	
a.	Develop a local out reach program to inform the community of our mission/activities/etc.	On-going
b.	Invite Library Committee and look for ways to collaborate. RT to contact LC chair	On-going
c.	<p>Invite 1-2 representatives from the following neighboring Historical Commissions/Societies for a coffee and cake collaboration session</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sheffield – BK to reach out to Sheffield Hist. Comm. and Society</li> <li>Stockbridge</li> <li>Mt Washington</li> <li>New Marlboro</li> </ol>	11/21
10.	<b>Next Meeting</b>	
a.	Next Meeting: Mon. 11/1/21	11/1/21
b.	<b>End of minutes</b>	
c.	Submitted: 10/28/21 by Barbara Kalish	
	<b>Future Initiatives</b>	
1.	<b>COVID-19 historical record for archives</b>	
2.	Attendees agreed that the EH should reach out to residents to collect stories and personal accounts of the COVID-19 epidemic and how it effected Egremont. RT will circulate a draft post for outreach to the community via social media. Out-reach should include Egremont residents, teachers and others involved with the town.	RT On-going
3.	Possible use of the “Tribute” platform to record the stories (not discussed at meeting)	BK
4.	<p>Oral History Project</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Richard Birdsall’s story, “You Can’t Get There from Here” was read at our meeting and will be included in the archive as well as presented at the birthday party. BK to obtain copy or tape.</li> <li>Oral History –Stanley Gracyk is writing a series on his experiences working in the General Store. He will share and possible read his essays for the OHP.</li> <li>Will Conklin re. History of April Hill</li> <li>BK to develop list of interviewees</li> </ol>	On-going EHC BK - On-going

	e) BK to contact Lynn Wood, Richard Burdsall, Mary Brasie and record their many stories	
5.	Promotion of EHC – Coffee/Tea and History	
6.	Strategic Alliances	
7.	Grants: EHC to investigate grant opportunities	
8.	Create a historically appropriate feature or informational sign at the library	
9.	EHC Newsletter: For distribution annually: EHC will create a short news report about the events of the past year and plans for the coming year	